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FOR: METAL PRODUCT PRODUCING METHOD, METAL PRODUCT, METAL COMPONENT CONNECTING METHOD, AND CONNECTION STRUCTURE

ELECTION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the election requirement dated November 18, 2008, Applicants elect Group I, Claims 22-35, drawn to a method of molding metal and depositing a fill material in a recess portion thereof, and to products made thereby, for further examination on the merits. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected invention.

Accordingly, examination on the merits of Claims 22-35 is in order and is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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